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**OFFICE OF PETITIONS**

In re Application of Nassef	:	
Application No. 10/711,106	:	Decision on Petition
Filing Date: August 24, 2004	:	
For: Method and Apparatus for	:	
Permitting the Self-Service ...	:	

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed November 25, 2005, to revive the above-identified application.

The petition is **DISMISSED**.

Facts:

A Notice to File Corrected Papers was mailed on September 30, 2004.

The Notice required the submission of a substitute specification complying with 37 CFR 1.52, 1.121(b)(3) and 1.125. The Notice specifically stated the line spacing on the specification, claims, and abstract was not 1½ or double-spaced.

Since a reply to the Notice was not filed, the application became abandoned on December 31, 2004.

A Notice of Abandonment was mailed on July 6, 2005.

Analysis:

A grantable petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b) must be accompanied by the required reply.

As to item (1), the Notice required the submission of a corrected specification, claims, and abstract.

A corrected specification has not been filed. Petitioner should submit a corrected specification.

The abstract contains over 300 words. 37 CFR 1.72(b) states, "The abstract ... may not exceed 150 words in length." A new abstract should be filed.

Any request for reconsideration must be submitted within TWO (2) MONTHS from the mail date of this decision. No further petition fee is required for the request. Extensions of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a) are permitted. The reconsideration request should include a cover letter entitled "Renewed Petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b)." This is **not** final agency action within the meaning of 5 U.S.C. § 704.


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